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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, EIGHTH UNITED STATES ARMY
UNIT #15236
APO AP 96205-0009

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL EIGHTH UNITED STATES ARMY SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS

SUBJECT: Eighth United States Army Command Policy #36 – Soldiers Deploying from Korea in Support of OIF/OEF

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Joint Federal Travel Regulation.
- b. Eighth Army Policy #34, Limitation on Temporary Change of Station.
- c. Army Regulation 420-1, Army Facilities Management, 2 November 2007.

2. PURPOSE. To require personnel to conduct Permanent Change of Station (PCS) moves when deploying from Korea to support OIF/OEF.

3. BACKGROUND.

a. Soldiers requesting OIF/OEF deployment as their next duty assignment must either PCS directly to the Southwest Asia (SWA) theater of operations or PCS from Korea to a CONUS duty station followed by TCS deployment. Individual requests for Temporary Change of Station (TCS) from Korea in support of OIF/OEF are restricted IAW theater policy at Reference 1b.

b. Family members who desire to remain in Korea during the sponsor's deployment will lose their SOFA status due to the sponsor's PCS departure. However, Family members may be allowed to remain in Korea if they are Korean citizens or if they are able to obtain/retain SOFA status in their own right (i.e. invited contractors or GS civilian employees) or if they are able to obtain an independent visa status (e.g. 90 day tourist visa or employment visa). Family members not in one of these categories who remain in Korea are subject to penalties imposed by the ROK Immigration Bureau.

4. DISCUSSION.

a. Family members in Government housing will be required to relocate to off-post housing available on the Korean economy once their sponsor departs Korea. That move will be funded by the Government if the Soldier conducts a PCS directly to OIF/OEF. Likewise, Overseas Housing Allowance will cover family housing expenses only when the Soldier conducts a direct PCS from Korea to OIF/OEF; a Soldier who conducts a PCS to CONUS location prior to deployment is entitled to BAH for that duty location. Only one shipment of household goods is authorized per PCS, but a one-time payment of

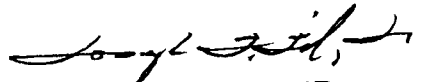
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Dislocation Allowance is also authorized to offset the cost of moving. Cost of Living Allowance and Family Separation Pay are other entitlements afforded Families while living off-post in Korea during the sponsor's deployment. Soldiers PCSing to CONUS followed by TCS to OIF/OEF must receive Secretariat approval from the HQDA G1, Compensation and Entitlements Branch, in order to receive OCONUS pay entitlements as an exception.

b. Command sponsorship of Family members terminates upon a Soldier's PCS from Korea. Since command sponsorship, SOFA status, and the entitlements referenced herein are important to Family readiness, Soldiers should consult their chain of command if considering PCS without Family members.

5. PROPONENT. The Eighth United States Army ACofS G1 is the proponent for this policy. The POC is HR Services at DSN 315- 724-8256/8639.



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